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**EFFECTIVE**

December 1, 2019.

**Subject(s)**

1. PSM 713-08, Special Investigative Situations.
2. PSM 715-2, Court Intervention and Placement of Children.
3. PSM 716-3, Voluntary Foster Care.
4. PSM 716-4, Complaints Involving a Known Perpetrator Moving in with a New Family.

**1) PSM 713-08,  
Special  
Investigative  
Situations*****DHS-3, Sibling Placement Evaluation***

Caseworkers only need to complete the DHS-3, Sibling Placement Evaluation, for the following:

- The caseworker is filing a petition and is requesting a removal, but one or more child(ren) will remain in the home.
- A new child is born into a home where one or more siblings are currently in foster care and the new child will remain in the home.

Requirements were removed regarding completion of the Sibling Placement Evaluation for the following:

- When siblings are/were permanent wards as a result of CA/N court action and the caseworker is not filing a petition.
- When the caseworker has recommended removal of all the children, but the court did not order removal of all the children

***Voluntary Foster Care***

Added information from PSM 716-03, Voluntary Foster Care.

***Accept and Link***

Removed certain accept and link requirements to coincide with previous policy changes.

**2) PSM 715-2,  
Court Involvement  
and Placement of  
Children**

**Title Change**

Policy renamed from Removal and Placement of Children to Court Involvement and Placement of Children. Clarified and reorganized sections within the policy.

**3) PSM 716-3,  
Voluntary Foster  
Care**

**Obsolete**

PSM 716-3, Voluntary Foster Care, is obsolete. This information is now in PSM 713-08, Special Investigative Situations.

**4) PSM 716-4,  
Complaints  
Involving a Known  
Perpetrator Moving  
in with a New  
Family**

**Obsolete**

PSM 716-4, Complaints Involving a Known Perpetrator Moving in with a New Family, is obsolete. This information is now in PSM 713-08, Special Investigative Situations.

*Reason:* CSA recommendation and policy simplification.

**MANUAL  
MAINTENANCE  
INSTRUCTIONS**

**Changed Items ...**

[PSM 713-08](#)

[PSM 715-2](#)

**Deleted Items ...**

PSM 716-3

PSM 716-4